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[To the Editor of the INTERIOR JOURNAL.]

STANFORD, June 4th.—For the benefit of a number of people in Lincoln and Garrard counties, we ask you to publish the following statement, because there are some sharks who are claiming that they can succeed as agents and attorneys, in establishing the rights of certain parties in Lincoln to a share and distribution in the Carpenter estate, and also of certain parties in Garrard to a like distribution in the Jennings estate. We have been for a long time in correspondence with Mr. James Usher, of New York city, touching these estates, and he has sent us his pamphlet which is very instructive and in which he gives the pedigree of the very extensive Carpenter family. Mr. Usher has been employed by certain heirs of the Carpenters to investigate their claims to an enormous estate amounting to some \$200,000,000, in England, which they were informed could be secured by the proper legal proceedings.

The St. Louis Globe Democrat quoting from the pamphlet says "that the impression that such an estate existed has led to the formation of several associations of the Carpenter family, and more or less money has been paid to dishonest attorneys or agents to recover it."

Mr. Usher appears to be a thoroughly honest and determined man and he has given all the circumstances of the case a careful examination, in the course of which he has collected a general fund of information bearing upon the delusive claims of its class.

The Carpenters are given to understand that this property was left by a certain Wm. Carpenter, who died in London in 1700 at the age of ninety-seven, and that he bequeathed it by will to his American heirs. Mr. Usher's researches showed that there was no such estate in existence anywhere else, and that no such man as the William Carpenter in question ever existed, and that if he had lived and left the estate as asserted, there would be no way of recovering it owing to the statutes of limitations. Mr. Usher ascertained facts pertaining to the trust funds in chancery the same in the Bank of England, and exhausted the information to be found in the public records with reference to estates of the description involved. He consulted with English solicitors before he commenced his examinations, and these assured him that to their personal knowledge he was on a wild-goose chase. He believed them, but bent on sifting the whole swindling business to the bottom, persevered until he has unearthed and verified the methods of the impostors who thrive on gulling gullible people, mostly Americans, with the prospects of inherited wealth. He found the individual who had set the Carpenter expectants, whom he represented, to believing that the money could be secured, and speedily ascertained him to be a liar and a generally comprehensive scoundrel. He found also other swindlers of the same nature going on and duly sets forth his discoveries in his pamphlet for the edification of his employers, the Carpenters in particular and other people in general. "It is evident," he says, "that the sums claimed for recovery in these cases would bankrupt any nation on earth." He sets forth the following list of phantom estates which have been a source of revenue for claim lawyers for many years, with a table showing their supposed value and the number of heirs among whom they will be divided when recovered:

Anneke Jane, 1,000 heirs, \$317,000,000;
Baker, 87 do., \$250,000,000; Sir Hugh Mosher, \$200,000,000; Chadwick, 5 do., \$37,000,000; Edwards, 100 do., \$200,000,000; Joseph Wilson Ingraham, \$500,000,000; Hyde, N. G., 200 do., \$12,000,000; Hyde, Ann, 150 do., \$360,000,000; Hyde, Brooklyn, 1 do., \$5,000,000; Jennings, 1,835 do., \$100,000,000; Hedges, \$250,000,000; Kern, 100 do., \$200,000,000; Leak, \$100,000,000; Mackey, 1 do., \$10,000,000; Merritt, 30 do., \$15,000,000; Shepherd, 15 do., \$175,000,000; Trotter, 204 do., \$200,000,000; Townly Lawrence, 1,000 do., \$500,000,000; Van Horn, 23 do., \$1,000,000; Webber, 80 do., \$50,000,000; Weiss, 4 do., \$20,000,000; Wm. Carpenter, \$200,000,000.

The cost of the Kimball House at Atlanta, Georgia, will be about \$700,000, appropriated as follows: The ground \$200,000, the building \$425,000, furniture \$94,000.

Four churches in Montreal now use the electric light.

If your face, neck and hands are sunburned or indamed, bathe them with Papillon Skin Cure; it will allay the inflammation instantly. For sale at McRoberts & Stagg's.

If you have a cold in your head, been in a draft and have the result of your impudence annoying your comfort, inhale with a few applications of Papillon Catarrh Cure and you will be relieved at once. For sale by McRoberts & Stagg.

We have never heard of such marvelous cures of Coughs in children and adults as Papillon Cough Cure produces. You should have a bottle in your house in case of need. For sale at McRoberts & Stagg's.

CRAB ORCHARD, LINCOLN COUNTY.

—J. H. Hutchings closed down his distillery on the 31st ult.

—Mrs. Samuel Jones has been quite low of typhoid fever for some time and is still in a precarious condition.

—Mrs. Gormley can boast of the finest garden in town. She is now eating Irish potatoes and peas grown by her this season, that lays over any of our male gardeners.

—Judge W. O. Hansford boasts of the finest cantelope patch in the neighborhood. He has some 200 hills and they have begun to run. We shall call on the Judge about the first of August.

—T. R. and J. E. Carson are opening several salt wells on their lands and as they are not in the ring they think they have struck a small fortune, as salts are current here at 50 cents per pound.

—Jim Dillion is all smiles since he heard that the bill making Crab Orchard a local option town did not pass and a change is also perceptible in several other villages that I could mention, but space forbids.

—A. M. Hiatt sold to a Swiss settler a young horse for \$100. Hunly Singleton sold to another a plug work horse for \$80; they were both by Hiatt's "Joe Stoner," which accounts for the very liberal prices paid for them. Armp is now very sorry he parted with "Joe" as our new neighbors are partial to his stock, but he was bound to have some lightning rods. Joe is gone but Armp has the lightning rods.

—Corn is generally backward in this section, but Hunly Singleton has 20 acres that is an exception. It was a piece of blue-grass and that had not been in cultivation for 25 years, it is now knee high and not a hill missing. If it is a good season it is estimated by good judges to make 20 bbls. to the acre. It is no wonder we are having so many new settlers when our lands will make such results. Meadows are generally looking very fine, but some are complaining of a good deal of cheat.

—We had the pleasure of attending the closing exercises of our high school Tuesday night and were highly entertained. The large hall at the College was filled with the patrons and friends of the school. The programme was a long one and the clock in the tower struck 12 before it was finished, but no one seemed to tire. Prof. Rice, the principal, and Miss Lillie Lyter, his accomplished assistant, should indeed feel proud of their labors. They certainly have the thanks and good wishes of the President and trustees and I am confident, of each and every patron. Space forbids the mention that each and every pupil so justly merits. I did not get in time to hear the Salutatory by Miss Lula Stuart, but it was spoken of by those present as a fine production. "One Hundred Years From Now," a declamation by Henry Pettus is deserving of mention. "The Three Little Mushrooms," by three very little girls, Misses Steger, Sigler and Howard, was cute and showed training. "The Menckless Man" by Jon's Rice was finely delivered and the reply by Miss Maggie Buchanan was equally good. "Rock of Ages," song and declamation by Miss Nannie Kennedy was good and elicited considerable applause. "Fandango" was well performed by Misses Singleton and Robin and Messrs. Ward, Henry Pettus, Lee Steinbites and Will White. A song by Misses Katie James, Lear Steger, Minnie Myers and Eva Buchanan was well received. A declamation, "People Will Talk," was well delivered by Miss Ida Pettus. "Vacation Fun" was well performed by all, but Kate James deserves special mention. "Riding in the Cars" was well recited by Miss Belle Sigler, and the answer was well delivered by Will White. "The Gambler's Wife" was recited in concert by some young ladies and was very nicely done. "Guilty or Not Guilty" was recited by Miss Eva Buchanan and elicited much applause. The calisthenics, participated in by all the young lady pupils, was the finest performance of the kind I ever witnessed, and the drill by the young ladies, each carrying a broom, was perfect. "Index of Light," recited by Robt. Davis, brought down the house, and the pans he got off on several of the audience were splendid and the one on Pete Chandler was a deadner; ask Pete what it was. The Valetudinary by Miss Maggie Buchanan, was highly complimented and deserved the applause it elicited. There are others that deserve special mention, but I have already drawn out my letter too long and hope they will excuse me.

When David Tod was governor of Ohio a Columbus dentist once came to him and said: "Governor Tod, why do you not spell your name with two d's? I spell my name that way, and I find on examination of genealogical records that the most eminent members of the Tod family spelled their names Todd." "Well, you see," said the governor very gravely, "the Almighty gets along with one d in His name and I believe I can get along with one d in mine."

SONG OF A FAT MAN.—Hand me down my summer duster, bring me out the biggest fan, let that jolly be a "buster," chuck in all the ice you can. Take away my big bicycle, put me in a frozen hole; tickle me with an icicle bigger than the old North Pole.—[N. Y. Journal.]

The clothing men are gradually coming upon the time when they will have to give an improved farm of 100 acres to every purchaser of a suit of clothes.

GARRARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT.

Lancaster.

—Hickman Dunn, a colored youth of 14 or 15 years of age, accidentally shot himself through the heel with a musket while hunting near town one day last week. The collections at the Internal Revenue office at this place for month of May, \$131,425.44. No. of gallons produced in district during the month 198,716 taxable gallons. No. of gallons exported 980,903.

—The Shooting Club meets every Friday evening on the Baker place, near the cemetery. They are practicing with a view to challenge some of the neighboring clubs. Several of the best marksmen will enter at Louisville for the \$5,000 prize.

—W. S. Ferguson, of Covington, is back again on business and is endeavoring to procure a convenient residence until he can erect a building on his farm purchased of Joe Weisiger last fall. He intends to bring his mother's family here soon to spend the summer.

—Mrs. C. S. Nield lectured in the Presbyterian church in this place last Wednesday evening to a large audience and at the close of the services organized a Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Mrs. Fowler was elected President. The Union will hold weekly meetings in the basement of the Presbyterian church.

—J. A. and A. O. Burnside have concluded to build a tobacco warehouse on the Hopper lot adjoining the Male Seminary which will be 160 feet long, 48 wide and 60 high. It will take over 75,000 feet of lumber to build the same and will be the largest in Central Kentucky. Workmen have finished excavating the cellar for the Higginbotham building in the Northwest corner of the public square. This will be a large two-story brick agricultural improvement and seed house 100 feet long and 30 broad.

—Miss Lena Goule with her two brothers left Wednesday for Michigan City, Ind., to live with their father. They have resided with R. S. Haselden since the death of their mother, which occurred several years ago. The whole community regret their departure. Miss Lena made many friends in our midst during her stay here. Mrs. Gulick and daughter, Lee, of Falmouth, Ky., are the guests of J. C. Thompson. Miss Allie Dunn, of Richmond, spent a few days with Mrs. J. C. Thompson and left Tuesday evening in company with Miss Kate Wherritt, of this place, to attend the commencement exercises in your town. Jas. Denton and wife, of Somerset, spent Tuesday with relatives in this place.

—The last commencement exercises of Franklin Institute will be held next week. This institution has been in active operation for 35 or 40 years and was considered the leading school for females in Central Kentucky for many years. Hither flocked young ladies from all the neighboring counties where they received a liberal education. Next year another college for females will be opened on Lexington avenue and Franklin Institute will undoubtedly be closed, since it is to be sold for the benefit of R. W. Lillard's creditors. The last session of the institute was a successful one. On Friday, June 6, a free entertainment will be given by the music class. Miss Bessie Cohen, who has had charge of the art department, has issued invitations to her acquaintances to attend an art exhibition to be given by her class Tuesday, June 9. This class consists of 16 members, whose paintings display great proficiency in the art. Miss Cohen is an accomplished artist and a most excellent teacher as the year's work attests.

It Was Sent to Her House.

A certain pretentious shopper after teasing the clerks of a dry goods store beyond the forbearance limit, pompously ordered a spool of thread to be sent to her house. It was agreed that she should be made an example of and a warning of her kind. She was surprised, and her neighbors were intensely interested shortly after she arrived at her home. A common dray, drawn by four horses, proceeded slowly up to her door. On the dray, with bare arms, were a number of stalwart laborers. They were holding on vigorously to some object which she could not see. It was a most puzzling affair. The neighbors stared. After a deal of whip cracking and other impressive ceremonies the cart was backed against the curb. There, reposing calmly, and up, was the identical spool of thread which she had "ordered." It seemed to be coming all right. With the aid of a plank, it was finally rolled, barrel fashion, safely to the sidewalk. After a mortal struggle it was "up ended" on the purchaser's doorstep. The fact that the purchaser came out a minute later and kicked her own property into the gutter detracted nothing from it.—[Albany Argus.]

THE WOOL TARIFF.—The Philadelphia Record tells the Pennsylvania wool-growers that if any of them will take a pencil and a piece of paper and put down in one column the amount of tax they pay in a year on clothing, blankets, carpets, and other woolen wear, and in another column the amount of the added price they receive in consequence of the tariff on the wool they have to sell, they will find that they pay \$5 where they get \$1.

A piece of land sold in New York the other day for \$800,000, or thirty-two times its cost in 1847. This is almost as good an investment as those with Grant & Ward were thought to be.

The Washington Monument.

At the rate of progress made last year the shaft will be completed by December, 1885, says a Washington correspondent. It will then have reached the height of 555 feet. What a place for the American Eagle to roost on! Eighty-seven feet higher than the spire of the Cathedral at Strasbourg; forty-four feet added to the towers of the cathedral at Cologne; St. Peter's at Rome "seen" and 107 feet "gone better;" while that miserable little pretension of a Milan cathedral, with its 355 feet from the pavement to the top of the Madonna's head, is absolutely nowhere in this race toward the sky. Cheops and King Shafra, sainted mummies at one time resting underneath their clumsy old pyramids, would, if they had not been rudely disturbed by some of the Maspero tribe, burst their bondage with envy, and turn in their graves with disgust at the thought that barbarians in a distant land built higher than they did. That architectural "extravaganza," the Cologne cathedral, with its pinnacles, of what earthly use are its tapering, prickly looking spires? Can anybody sit with comfort on top of them? Just contrast them with the Washington monument! At the height of 500 feet the American eagle will be able to squat with perfect ease and dignified security on 2-225 square feet. Plenty of room there for his brood of thirty-eight and ample accommodation for any increase in the family—no doubt about that. What a satisfaction it must be to him to know that he sits on a chimney weighing more than 75,000 tons, and costing \$300,000.

A Revolution in Fishing.

"I saw some experiments in a European aquarium some months ago," said the fish authority, "that showed what fishing was coming to. The tank was darkened; in fact the whole room was, and a man in a diver's outfit entered, wearing one of the new electric lights on his helmet. The effect was curious. The tank was perfectly illuminated, but the most remarkable feature was the effect it had upon the fishes. One and all crowded about the light, seemingly astonished at the strange appearance. The man carried a small scoop net with him, and with the greatest ease caught all the fishes he wanted. If this could be used on the Grand Banks in 200 feet of water there would be a revolution in fishing: The steamer of the United States fish commission has been trying some curious experiments with long fishing lines that had electric lights placed just above the bait. These were more or less successful. One trouble that is shown in the tanks at Fulton market is that the fish become habituated to the light, and after awhile will not approach it, but in open sea, where new fish are continually being met with, this would not be an obstacle.—[New York Sun.]

STRAW HATS BY THE MILLION.

MARSHFIELD holds the front rank in the manufacture of straw hats and bonnets. The condition existing in 1880 is substantially the same to-day, and in the census returns of that year show that the Bay State had over \$2,250,000 invested in the business and nearly 8,000 people employed, about two-thirds of whom were females. Wages amounted to \$1,968,232, material used \$4,117,162, and the product to \$6,898,628. The other six States where the industry is carried on only produce about a third as great a value in product and have about the same proportionate value of the capital invested. These States are New Jersey, New York, Wisconsin, Connecticut, Illinois and Maryland. In some of these States, notably New York, the returns are probably smaller than is really the fact, being hidden in the credits given to the hat and bonnet annually made in this branch of the trade upwards of 10,000,000 are produced within thirty-five miles of Boston.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

The following order was made by the Lincoln Circuit Court of levy, composed of the county judge and justices of the county, at its term held June 2, 1884.

The committee heretofore appointed by this court to draft resolutions relative to the death of M. S. Peyton, Esq., presented and read their report to the court, which was unanimously approved and ordered to be recorded with the minutes and published in the INTERIOR JOURNAL and the same is here recorded as follows:

WHEREAS, Almighty God in the exercise of His providence has by death removed from our midst M. S. Peyton, a former member of this court, and whereas the members of this court, who are alike acquainted with his virtues, both as a public servant and a private citizen, and desirous of presenting a fitting testimonial thereof, be it

Resolved, That the present members of this court do hereby unanimously express the following estimate of his character that as a citizen and a neighbor he was public spirited, kind in his relations with his fellow men, patriotic and honest; as an official careful, painstaking, faithful and conscientious in every particular, using his utmost exertions at all times in the exercise of the duties of his office to promote justice among the people and to build up their interests in his community and county.

That we recognize in his death a loss both to his neighbors and friends as a private citizen and to the public service.

STATEMENT

Of the Financial Condition of Lincoln County.

LINCOLN COUNTY COURT OF LEVY, June Term, 1884.

A statement of the financial condition of Lincoln County was read to the Court by the County Judge, and the same was ordered to be spread upon the record, which is as follows:

The following is a statement of the financial condition of Lincoln County at this date, June 2, 1884:

Claims allowed and audited.....\$7,817 01
Interest on bonded indebtedness years of 1874 and 1875.....600 00
Sheriff's commission for collecting county levy in 1884, estimated.....795 00
Contingent expenses for fiscal years 1884 and 1885, estimated.....850 00

Total amount to be paid out of levy 1884.....\$10,062 01

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS.

Two Bonds \$1,000 each issued

1st July, 1875, due 10 years

from date.....\$2,000 00

Seven Bonds \$500 each, issued

15th March, 1880, due

5 years from date.....3,500 00

Ten Bonds \$500 each, issued

31st July 1880, due 10 years

from date.....5,000 00

Total bonded indebtedness.....\$10,500 00

RESOURCES.

Cash in treasury.....307 65

Dividend from turnpikes, estimated.....600 00

From delinquent tax lists, estimated.....50 00

Ad valorem tax on \$4,210,511

of taxable property at 20c

on the \$100.....8,421 02

Capitation tax on 3,387 males

over 21 years of age, less \$50

delinquents at \$1 per head.....2,587 00

Tax on railroads, estimated.....1,600 00

Tax on banks, estimated.....12 00

Total amount resources.....\$13,577 67

Total amount liabilities ascertained and estimated.....\$20 562 01

Total amount resources ascertained and estimated.....13,577 67

Liabilities in excess resources.....\$6,984 34

A true copy. Attest: J. BLAIN, C. L. C. C.

LIST OF CLAIMS

Payable out of the County Levy of 1884.

Akin, W. R.....\$ 1 00

Anderson, John.....2 00

Alford, J. R.....2 00

Amos, W. E.....2 00

Alcorn, David.....10 00

Blair, John A.....8 75

Adams, J. W.....17 50

Alcorn, J. R.....9 00

Balch, John, \$1 and \$2.....3 00

Bright, John, (Red).....6 00

Boone, Thomas M.....2 00

Bowley, E. B., \$4 and \$5 50.....7 50

Brown, C., \$2 and \$3.....4 00

Baugh, D. A., \$2 and \$2 72.....4 72

Bronaugh, R. H., \$2 and \$2 50.....4 50

Buchanan, T. M., \$4 and \$1 50.....5 50

Bastin, G. W.....8 00

Blaug, M. S.....2 00

Blair, John A.....2 00

Bowley, John L.....2 00

Bright, Geo. P.....2 00

Boone, Wash, col'd.....4 00

Bright, Caleb, col'd.....4 00

Bronaugh, Dr. G. W.....80 00

Blahop, C.....5 00

Buchanan, W. K.....2 80

Blain, John.....131 25

Bailey, James P., \$1 20, \$5 75, \$10 95.....24 90

Bright, John H.....3 75

Barber, W. H.....1 50

Barnett, Robt.....5 00

Cook, James M., (Hustonsville).....9 00

Bright, E. W.....133 62

Bailey, Dr. Steele.....750 00

Bettie G. W.....3 37

Bright & Curran.....43 10

Boone, Geo. D.....6 25

Bronaugh and Carpenter, Drs.....100 00

Bailey, George, col'd.....5 10

Coffey, T. C.....2 00

Cummins, W. H.....2 40

Carter, Geo. W.....400 00

Cowan, Samuel F.....1 50

Carter, James H., \$4 and \$2.....6 00

Chenault, A. O.....7 20

Cook, James M., (Hustonsville).....2 00

Curtis, John D.....8 00

Coleman, George.....5 00

Carpenter, A. W.....7 50

Carter, G. L.....5 00

Carter, Ed.....7 50

Carson, W. A.....25 00

Coffey, A. G.....2 00

Curtis, F. P.....2 00

Cooner, B. F.....1 25

Crow, James.....8 75

Carpenter, Geo. S.....2 00

Caldwell, E. B., \$2 and \$2.....4 00

Chenault, Severance Co.....203 25

Carpenter, J. R.....2 50

Carpenter, L. C.....2 50

Caldwell, J. W., & Son.....20 00

Carson, R., \$1 05, \$5, \$11 25, & \$11 75.....1,759 13

Curtis, Thomas D.....6 00

Curtis, Monroe.....5 00

Chappell, Thomas.....7 50

Cummins, H. G.....2 00

Collier, R. G.....3 75

Cash, W. A.....1 00

Carpenter, D. R.....585 00

Chandler, S. H.....32 50

Chandler, F. A.....13 00

Childs, Elizabeth, col'd.....15 00

Carter, J. M., Jr.....2 00

Crow, O. J.....2 00

Duddar, John.....2 00

Daugherty, W. J.....6 00

Doolin, W. J.....5 00

Dillon, W. R.....6 25

Davis, Jack.....3 75

Fisher, E. S.....1 00

Flemmer, F. M., \$2 50 and \$10.....12 50

Foley, Frank.....5 00

Foster, Thomas J.....3 75